Export of Books

1041. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of books exported from India during the last two years, language-wise alongwith the names of countries to which these books were exported; and

(b) whether there has been any increase or decrease in the export of such books during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI P. R. DAS MUNSHI): (a) The number of books exported from India during 1985-86 and 1986-87 is approximately 72 lakhs and 78 lakhs respectively. Data relating to export of books language-wise is not maintained. It is, however, estimated that 80 per cent of the books exported are in English and the rest in India languages. The major countries to which books were exported are UK, USA, Holland, Denmark, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh, FRG, Mauritius, Kenya, Fiji, Pakistan, Singapore, Malaysia, China, UAE, Bahrain, Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Qatar and Japan.

(b) Export of books and publications has been increasing at the rate of about 8 per cent per annum during the last three years.

Workers Participation in Public Sector Units

1042. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) the number of public sector units which have implemented the scheme for workers' participation in management till June, 1987;

(b) by when the remaining public sector units will implement this scheme; and

(c) what action Government propose to take against those public sector units which have not implemented this scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI P. A. SANGMA): (a) As per available information, 100 public sector enterprises have implemented the Scheme of Employees' Participation in Management at the shop floor and plant levels.

(b) and (c) Ministry of Labour have set up a Tripartite Committee consisting of representatives of some of the Ministries, public sector undertakings|state Governments and workers organisations to monitor the Scheme and to review its progress from time to time.

The Tripartite Committee also discusses the strategy required to be adopted for implementation of the Scheme by the public sector units. In a Scheme like this it is not possible to lay down a time limit within which the Scheme could be implemented. The public sector units have to be motivated and informed of the advantages of such a Scheme. Since the Scheme is voluntary, no action can be taken against the public sector enterprises who have not implemented the Scheme.

Fires in Delhi

1043. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of fires which took place in Delhi during the years 1985-86, 1986-87 and from April, 1987 to July, 1987;

(b) what is the number of people who died in these fires;

(c) what is the total loss of property due to the fires during this period;

(d) whether the organisation of the present Fire Brigade in Delhi is quite satisfactory or effective and well equipped; and

(e) if not, what steps Government have taken to make it more effective and modernised?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHINTAMANI PANIGRAHI): (a) The requisite figures are indicated below:

Year	*No of fire incidents*
1985-86	5153
1986-87	5351
From April 1987 to July, 1987	2741

(b) 220.

(c) About Rs. 13.29 crores.

(d) The Delhi Fire Service is fairly well equipped and effective.

(e) A grant of Rs. 11.83 crores has been sanctioned for the Delhi Fire Service for opening 5 more fire stations and for acquiring modern equipments. The Delhi Fire Service has procured a number of sophisticated fire equipment especially meant for fire fighting in high-rise buildings.

Killing of Bus Passengers by Terrorists in Punjab and Haryana

1044. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that more than 40 persons have been killed by the terrorists in Lalru Village in Patiala district of Punjab and 34 other persons in Hissar district of Haryana while they were travelling in the buses;

(b) whether the terrorists have been identified and arrested; and

(c) what relief Government have given to the kith and kin of the deceased persons and also to the injured?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) and (b). In the incident near Lalru in Punjab on 6th July, 1987, 40 bus passengers and one terrorist were killed in the firing by the terrorists. 33 bus passengers and one driver of a car were killed in the incidents of firing by terrorists in district Hissar on 7th July, 1987.

Cases have been registered in connection with these incidents and all our efforts are being made to apprehend the culprits.

(c) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

'Discover India Quiz' Programme

1045. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that to a variety of questions in the Discover India quiz programme sponsored by the Ministry on TV some answers given by the quiz master were wrong in many cases and have evoked criticism;

(b) if so, whether Government have reviewed the matter so as to ensure that only right answers to the questions are given; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TOURISM (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c) The answers given by the Quiz Master to the questions in the Discover India Quiz Programme which is being currently telecast every Sunday have been by and large factually correct. However, in respect of few questions, because of multiple source material, there can be difference of opinion as to the correct reply.

In respect of the query pertaining to Goa which was construed erroneous (due to Goa having become a State), it is submitted that "Goa" was a Union Territory when the Discover India Quiz Programme was recorded in February this year. A message to this effect in the form of a "Super" had been incorporated at the end of the programme tape which was forwarded to Doordarshan for telecast on 28th June, 1987. This was, however, not transmitted. This lapse was rectified by Doordarshan in the following episode which was transmitted on 12th July, 1987 thereby clarifying the situation.

Settlement of Boundary Disputes of North-East States

1046. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Inter-State relations between the North-Eastern States